ATS A NICE

HARD!

BLOW



PUBLISHED BY THE MEMPHIS NEWS SCIMITAR COMPANY. Entered as Second-Class Matter at the Postoffice at Memohis, Tenn., Under the Act of March, 3, 1879.

DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY MEMBER OF THE ASSOCIATED

The Associated Press is exclusively entitled to use for reproduction of all news dispatches credited to it or act otherwise credited in The News Scimitar, and also the local news published

15c per week. By mail, postage paid, month, 60c; 2 months, \$1.15; 2 months, \$1.70; 6 months, \$2.00; 12 months, \$6.00 NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

If you have trouble about getting your paper, call Main 4994, and the matte will be given immediate attention. After 6 p.m. and Sundays, call Main 5635.



PAUL BLOCK, INC., Special Represen-tative, 25 Madison avenue, New York Century Building, Chicago: Little Build-ing, Boston; Kresge Building, Detroit

Abolish Street Car Taxes Or the Cost Plus Plan.

the Memphis public in the presen against the street car company.

uddle. The company has a valuation of about \$12,000,000, according to its own figures. It is permitted by the state utilities commisdon to earn a return of 65 per cent return to the stockholders, who get

The company is going into the ire lower than its actual cash value. ong, tedious and expensive litiga-

Whatever expense the city incurs will be charged up to the public. Whatever expense the receivers for

expense of damage suits and judg- him. nents. It is permitted to accumupaid to ride to town this morning. if the 7 cents you paid is not sufficient, under the order of the utilities commission, the company will be al-

\$275,000 in taxes.

Instead of \$275,000 being paid in patrons of the street cars, who are least able to pay, it would be paid by all owners of property, and especially by the owners of automobiles, the possession of which is prima facie evidence of ability to bear their share of the burdens. Under the present arrangement the

man who rides an automobile contributes no part of the \$275,000. The man who rides the street car pays Nor is that all: The street car

company is required by the city to maintain the street paving between the tracks and two feet beyond each side of the tracks. The patrons of the street car get

part of the street.

taxes.

The patrons of the street car pay

If the \$275,000 in taxes were elimi would have to be collected from some and one can not tell. other source. It would be distributed over all the people.

Make It a Real Hospital.

The Marine hospital as it is conucted under the direction of Maj Brew, is a better institution than it ias ever been in its history. Un der present conditions, with its lim-Red equipment and accommodations. the institution will never take its the city. It needs to be enlarged, it has Vermeer's gift of color united needs a great many things it will sess the same power. never have unless the Memphis public interests itself in it and induces it a hospital that will be a credit

There are more disabled soldiers than at any time since the close of the war. The number will continue to increase. The public health service predicts that the crest of the

are already far short of present demands. The result is that the gov-

dreds of disabled soldiers.

covernment will not continue the policy of paying \$3.50 a day when t can care for the disabled men for I cents a day. It is not good busi-

The result is that the government will build a number of large hospitals in different parts of the ountry to care for the present and ever-increasing demand for atten-

Memphis is ideally situated for such an institution. The government has no hospital in West Tennessee except the one at Memphis. It has no nospital in Mississippi and only a small hospital at Camp Pike, Little Rock, Ark. There is no doubt that the government contemplates far as this section is concerned, the ment as Huysman's religious tracquestion is whether the Marine hossave the government thousands of dollars annually in railroad fare, or after. whether it will erect a hospital at some other point and leave the Ma-The best thing that could happen operate with its limited capacity.

ed by the city government and the Chamber of Commerce, anticipating has a superb rocky pasture painted the erection of additional hospital near his summer lodge that you will city, state and county-assessed facilities and urging the government enjoy and you will discover marked to expand and enlarge the Marine The whole thing is in a hopeless hospital to take care of the future

The Art Display.

on the investment, exclusive of a mirer of colonial art and every patriot should see the superb loan collection at Brooks art gallery at ourts to resist the payment of Overton park. Seldom has Memphis taxes on its actual cash valuation as had a chance to see such an admirfixed by the city on the ground that able display. It is an exhibition to other property is assessed at a fig- which one can return again and again, always to find some new The collection of the tax will be held beauty; discover some new point of up until the question is settled by interest. Surrounded by so much that is remarkable in art one is tempted to exclaim with Giorgione, when he beheld a painting of Giotto's, "I, too, am a painter."

One is grateful to note that there he street car company incur will be is no "new art" here. There are chalked up against the strap-hang- no aberrations striving to become dwellers in the temple. It is genu-In the consideration of the ques- ine art when genius had vision and tion this fact must be borne in strove to transform that vision to mind; The street car company is canvas. "Modernity, the essence of operating on a cost plus basis. Its inquietude," Juvigny wrote. Today only revenue comes from those who could he see the crimes committed ride the street cars. Out of the pro- in the name of art he would cry, ceeds received from car fare the "Modernity, the essence of insancompany must pay 6) per cent to the ity." Blake has said that "a fool indholders. It must pay the same can not enter the kingdom of heaven, on its investment. It must accumu- be he ever so pious." Of a certitude late a surplus to take care of the the paradise of true art is denied

In this exhibition one has an ate a replacement account. It must home feeling." You are surroundpay all these things or provide ed by portraits of persons that you sgainst them out of the fare you could have passed on the street on your way to the gallery or met at your neighbor's house last night. Like the old Dutch artists, they stir our "emotion of recognition." Take lowed to increase the fare to 8 the superb "Portrait of Col. Herries," In round numbers the street car let of the uniform is poor. What by John Singleton Copley. The scarcompany will pay this year about would Copley have said could be have beheld Vernet's wonderful cardinals with their glowing robes. scarlet that seems to leap forth from the canvas and Insist upon being admired, which shimmers, undulates and plays hide and seek with the light? But when you behold the splendid face under the commanding busby you forgive him his lack of gift in scarlet. "Man is an animal with a musket," declared Anatole France, but not so this buoyant young soldier who looks at you so frankly and fearlessly. Had Copley painted no other portrait than this, 83 CARS OF CATTLE his fame would have been secure. "Milton, 1880," by George Inness.

is an epic in epitome. There is, as in all of Inness' work, the wonderful perspective, that suggestion of the benefit only of the track upon illimitable space which pervades all which the car runs. But the patron his work and is seen to perfection in of the street car is required to main. his superb "Connecticut Valley," now tain the paving which the automobile in the Metropolitan museum in New traverses. The utilities commission York. This picture-one of inness' permits the company to earn an smaller canvases—shows a village in mount sufficient to maintain its the background, with clouds, trees and bits of bright blue sky. There One-half of one cent of every fare is a figure dimiy seen in the right collected by the company during the foreground. It is a gem of artistic year at the existing rate goes to pay preciosity. The figure piques one's urlosity. Is he merely a commonplace hunter or a "Dante, pacer of the street car taxes, not the com- the shore?" Unfortunately this fine piece of work, like Munkascy's ornate melodrama's, is fast darkening nated from the cost of operation it due to carcless mixing of the paints

How the art lover wishes he had the superb mastery of color animating that splendid modern artist. Hannah Cuthbertson. Once when Sir Joshua Reynolds was asked the secret of his wonderful mastery over tones; how he mixed his colors, the great master snapped out. "With brains, sir. With brains." Perhaps if Madame Cuthbertson were asked place among the better hospitals of the same reply and rightly for she needs additional grounds and build. with Corot's mastery of nature. Too ngs; it needs modern equipment it had that Inness also did not pos-

In such a feast of artistic riches it is hard to pick out one as of more the federal government to make of deserving of mention than another. beautiful thing, though the subject is idealized, as indeed, all of Stuart's in the Marine hospital at present subjects were. He is a confirmed romanticist. One feels sure that, as a child. Stuart doted on fairy tales and in later years devoured "The Faery Queen." "The Tempest" demand for hospital attention for and the "Silent Woman." Crocker counded soldiers will not be reached was a hard-riding, deep-drinking, strong-swearing old squire who rode The government hospital facilities hard to hounds and drove a harder bargain in business. One would never think it to see this fine, digniernment is paying \$3.50 a day to fied looking fellow, who fairly beams private hospitals for the care of hun- at you from out the canvas. Perish the thought that Stuart transformed Maj. Brew is running the Marine his sitters to flatter their vanity and

male Jephthah, dancing before the Ark of the Covenant. He took QUESTIONS Washington's heavy, crabbed, sen-AND ANSWERS sual face and with the aid of false eeth, a magic palette and a roman-

Q.—What are the flower and gemesymbols of the menths of December and Januars?—G. I. T.

A.—The flower for December is holly, and the gem, turquoise; for January the flower is the snowdrop, and the gem, garnet. tic mind, transformed him into a handsome, courtly old gentleman for all the world to idealize. Though Stuart himself is the master idealist, "Clearing New Ground," Elliott garnet.

angerfield, brings us a modern ouch. Two women are raking weeds and leaves and burning rubbish. There is a suggestion of Millet in this picture. One admires the versatility of the artist. From this to executed by another artist; They are as different in tone and treattates were from "A Abours" or "En pital at Memphis will be enlarged Route." The classicism of Benjamin and enabled to take care of the dis- West in his unique "Portrait of abled soldiers of this section, give Artist Painting His Wife" is strikthers occasional treatment and ing. It is modeled after Velasquez's "Portrait of the Infanta," a long way

As to the gems of the collection, their name is legion, and you must rine hospital as it is, to continue to go and see for yourself. To neglect this is to deprive yourself of an A movement should be inaugurat- esthetic pleasure, an artistic stimulus and a patriotic duty. Wyant excellence in every painting you

************* THE CONNOLLY FUND

************** A number of old friends and admirers Christmas remembrances in cash and checks for Col. M. W. Connolly, who has been ill for several months and has been ill for several months and confined to his room at 203 Poplar ave-nue. Col. Connolly was overjoyed Thursday when he was handed \$183, and expressed his appreciation for the remembrance most touchingly, while "regretting the necessity" of accept-ing it. The fund is now \$252. Previously acknowledged\$183,00 L. R. Page nice | Bernstein | L. Lee | L. Lee | Din O. Flautt Carriage Co.

> TAKE THE SPOTS OUT OF YOUR CLOTHES

> The News Scimitar has ready let which tells how to proceed when the waiter pours the in your lap, or you ngainst a freshly painted fence.
> The chemist knows the character of each stain, and he can supply another element that will unite with it and cause it to dis-

Nearly every stain requires different treatment. The only safe way to proceed in such matters is to follow prop-

er directions. This is a neatly printed booklet of 36 pages, with halftone illus-

is just what every woman wants. It is free to all.

(In filling out the coupon, print ame and address or be sure to write plainly.)

Frederic J. Hastin, Director, The Memphis News Scimitar Infor-mation Bureau, Washington,

I inclose herewith 2 cents in free copy of the booklet moval of Stains."

AND HOGS ARE SHIPPED

RIPLEY, Miss., Dec. 17.-W. R. Alvis & Son, local cattle dealers, chipped a car of cattle and hogs its week, making 83 cars of catthe and hogs they have shipped from this county. The farmers of this county have been raising a great their regular farming for cash, and in addition a great many farmers in the county are shipping

BIG STRIKE AVERTED.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 17.—A general rike of railway telegraphers and sta-on agents which was called Wednes-

Q.—Is the "Great Basin" the part of the country around the Great Lakes, or is it out West somewhere?—T. G. A.—The "Great Basin" is made up of many minor basins of which the chief is that of the Great Salt lake of Utah. Q.-Where are some of famous observatories?-R. G.
A.-Some of the great observatories in the world are the Naval observatory in Washington. D. C. and the Royal observatory, Greenwich. England. Similar inatitutions are established at Paris: Berlin, Pulkovo, near St. Petersburg; Potadam, Germany, and Mount Wilson, California.

Q.—Why is there no tariff on wheat between Canada and the United States? A. The customs division of the Unit

A.—The customs division of the United States treasury says that because of provisions made in 1913 and a reciprocal agreement made between the two countries in 1917, there is no tariff on wheat between them at this time. Q—Where may I buy some of the material used by the postoffice department for mail sacks?—T. B. S.

A.—The postoffice department says that the cloth used in their mail sacks is manufactured for them exclusively. Similar material may be purchased from other manufacturers.

Q.—Did James Cox carry any states orth of the Mason and Dixon line?— The Democratic nominee carried

Q.—What is "Deism?"—A. R.
A.—"Deism" is acknowledgement of a
belief in a personal God. accompanied
with a denial of revelation and a disbelief in Christianity. It is a belief
held by many non-Christian peoples.

Q.—Does Ireland have a large representation in British parliament than Scotland and England, in comparison with the population—J. J. B. A.—In Great Britain there is a member in the British parliament for every 70.000 population; in Ireland one member for every 43,000.

Q.—What is fan-tracery?—C. L. I. Q.—What is fan-tracery?—C. L. I. A.—This is a species of architectural ornamentation accompanying fan-vault-ing, which is an arrangement in vault-ed reofs of the perpendicular style of architecture, in which all the principal lines diverge from a point. Q.-How can one secure a domestic

servant from the numerous ones who arrive in America from the old country?—J. L. A.—The immigration service maina.—Ine immigration service main-tains an employment agency. If a per-son desires a domestic, an application should be filed with the employment service of the immigration bureau, de-partment of labor, Washington, D. C.

Q.-When did the expression "fifty-A.—"Fifty-four forty or fight" was

Q.-How many pennies are being coined at present?—M. G. N.

A.—The addition of a tax to many purchase prices has made necessary an increased coinage of pennies. During the fiscal year ending June 30, more than 512,500,000 such coins were minted.

Q.—How long have Quakers worn "Quaker hats?"—W. A.
A.—The plain Quaker hat, with the broad brim and low crown dates from the origin of the sect in the middle of the seventeenth century.

Q.—Was Madame Petrova ever a grand opera singer?—P. O. S.
A.—Madame Olga Petrova, the movie star, did not sing in grand opera, but was a concert hall singer.

-W. C. H. A.—The flag of Iceland is dark blue with a red cross outlined in white running the full length of the flag, the transbeam being much shorter than the upright beam.

the upright beam.

Q.—is there anything that will dissolve the lime in the water back of a kitchen range?—M. E. D.

A.—The bureau of standards says that this deposit probably may be removed by the cautious use of vinegar, which will dissolve the scale so that it can be washed out. It will be necessary to have the pipe disconnected in order to introduce the vinegar.

Q.—Are there more Jews in Russia now than in the United States? A.—The secretary of the Zionist movement says that notwithstanding the change in Russian boundaries, there

are more Jews in Russia than in the United States. It is estimated that there are at least 6,000,000 Jews still in Russia. Q -If a person were standing on the

west be?-B. E. I.
A.-The naval observatory says there is no east and no west at the North pole. South extends in all directions. (Any reader can get the answer to any question by writing The News Scimitar information bureau, Frederic J. Haskin, director, Washington, D. C. strike of railway telegraphers and station agents which was called Wednesday has been averted. Several demands that the men have been granted and others will be submitted to arbitration, these demands including recognition of the union, wage increases, shorter hours and indemnities for personal injury. Paralysis of the national railway line was threatened by the proposed strike.

J. Haskin, director, Washington, D. C. This offer applies strictly to information. This offer applies are strictly to information. The bureau can not give advice on legal, medical and financial matters. It does not attempt to settle domestic troubles, nor to undertake exhaustive research on any subject. Write your question plainly and briefly. Give full many and address and inclose two cents in stamps for return postage. All replies are sent direct to the inquirer.)

News of Memphis Twice Told Tales 25 Years Ago

DECEMBER 17, 1910. or A. Nelson, of the state gen-survey, is in Memphis and ex-

Heavy mail traffic of the holidays has a roused to activity the many advocates of a governmental parcels post and in the bast few days the arguments have been received in Memphis through the medium of various printed forms.

The fact that Christmas falls on Sunday will not be regretted very much by emissione of the city of comparison of the city if commissioners decide to give them Monlay also as a holiday which they will probably decide on at a meeting tomorrow. This will give the emissioners practically three holidays as a they will have their usual half holiday on Saturday in addition.

A. F. Food has returned from a pleasant visit to friends in Nashville and Coiumbia.

Fred hark-siale Smithwick wil arrive tomorrow from Vanderbilt university to spend the holidays with shaperents. Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Smithwick.

Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Smithwick will arrive tomorrow from Vanderbilt university to spend the holidays with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Smithwick will arrive tomorrow from Vanderbilt university to spend the holidays with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Smithwick will arrive tomorrow from Vanderbilt university to spend the holidays with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Smithwick will arrive tomorrow from Vanderbilt university to spend the holidays with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Capt. E. W. Cole yesterday entered on his duties of the new office as secretary of the Memphis Law Library association.

Fred hard-wise in Chartanooga of Miswallakee, will arrive the latter part of January to be the house guests of Miss Katie Mitchell on Carr avenue.

A test of the mass of the profession of the bride's brother on Walker and R. I. Philips were married at the house of the holidays with reliable and the hol

Ray W. J. Braden officiating

ried man has been secretly tempted hospital at a cost of about 71 cents thus gain more commissions. He is ever meet a bachelor who yearned to in o pose as a bachelor. But, did you a day for each disabled soldier. The a romanticist, that is the secret. A pose as a married man?

DECEMBER 17, 1895.

A mass meeting of the lemocrats the city will be held this evening the probate courtroom, to which adherent the mark are invited. ents of the party are invited en masse Gen. M. R. Patterson and Hon. Case

of compromise yesterday.

A. L. Caro comptroller of Grand Rapides Mich. is among the recent arrivals in the city. Mr. Caro is visiting his mother and sister. Mrs. A. Caro and Mrs. A. L. Lowenstein, during the Christmas holidays.

Robert H. Just will give a violin recital at the studie, Randolph building. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Allen, with little Richard, arrived asfely at Clean Water. Fla., where they expect to spend the winter on account of Mr. Allen's Regulation.

The executive committee of the city Republicans assembled again last night in a general mass meeting at head-

A THOUSAN MILLION TEN

I'LL BETCHA

The Days of Real Sport—By Briggs

Boy Misses Kiss and Girl Now Misses Boy

BY MRS. ELIZABETH THOMPSON.

Dear Mrs. Thompson-We are two chums, 18 and 19 years I, "L," met a young man while visiting my brother in the city. The last time he called he asked me to kiss him. I told him had too much respect for my parents and myself. He made an engagement to call again later, but did not keep the date. What was the trouble do you think? Is it because I did not kiss him I, "J." am engaged to a boy 18 years old and wish to know if you think we are too young to marry. He has asked me to kiss

me as we are engaged to marry next fall? L. AND J. You did exactly right not to let this boy kiss you, and if he had been really in love with you he would have kept the engagement regardless of whether he kissed you or not. So don't worry about him any more. Yes. "J." you are too young to marry and my advice is that you and the boy indulge in no kissing just at present. Wait until about two weeks before you are to be married.

L. AND J. kindly tell me the proper way to eat ouse a kinfe and fork, or eat it with your fingers? This dispute has come up several times and would like you to help us.

AN INTERESTED READER.

Do not use knife and fork in eating sandwiches. If the sandwich is too large, break off a portion with the fingers.

DOROTHY DIX TALKS

THE IDEAL MOTHER.

BY DOROTHY DIX.

The World's Highest Pald Woman Writer.

(Copyright, 1920, by The Wheeler Syndicate, Inc.)

A mothers' club asks me if I will 1 could always turn when I was big

who would

and the world buffeled and beat me.

good-natured woman, one who al-

you. I should like to be reared in a home that was bright and gay, where people made merry over mis-

adventures, and turned deprivations

I should like to have a mother who

encouraged every form of innocent

enjoyment, and who could enter into the spirit of things, the sort of a mother who is never too busy to put

up a lunch for a boy who is going fishing, or to add a new frill to a girl's dancing frock. I should like

to come into a cheerful home where the mother's smile made sunshine, no matter what cloud of adversity

I should like to have a mother with a funnybone, and from whom I inherited a funnybone myself. For

she would teach me not to take my-

elf too seriously, or to grow morbid.

augh or cry, and it is only those

down.
I should want a mother who was

interesting companien. I should want a mother who would teach me

for a mother—one of those women who set some high goal before their

feel that they had better die

who set some high goal before their children's eyes, and who make them

a pleasant evening

out my childish heart upon, when I not reach it. I should like a mother was little and hurt myself, and her who was like a spear in my side, arms to be a refuge to me, to which uring me on and on to something

darkened the balance of the world.

and sacrifices into jokes,

I should want my mother to be a

him. Do you think it would be all right for me to let him kiss

is a concert hall singer.

Q.—How many members has the Y.

C. A.?—F. E.

A.—The national board of the Young Nomen's Christian association says hat the present membership of the association is 559.315.

Q.—In what language is the Bile written, so that the greatest number of people will be able to read it?—M. N.

M.—The Mandarin version of the Chinese Bible, which has been completed by the American Bible society, makes the board on Sundays. She is the rectitest girl for miles around and all the boys rave over her. I am getting desperate and don't know what to do because the boys reached by the American Bible society, makes the boys rave over her. I am getting desperate and don't know what to do because the last month. I am arking your advice.

I can not tell you what to do because the properties of the kind?

WORRIED.

I can not tell you what to do because while confined to the properties of the kind?

WORRIED.

I can not tell you what to do because the properties of the kind and you will don't see what you are going to do while confined to the properties of the kind and you will don't see what you are going to bow of the kind and you will don't see what you are going to be able to read it?—M.

WORRIED.

I can not tell you what to do because while confined to the properties of the kind and you will don't see what you are going to be able to prove the properties of the kind and you will don't see what you are going to be able to prove the properties of the kind and you will don't see what you are going to be able to prove the properties of the kind and you will don't see what you are going to be able to prove the properties of the kind and you will don't see what you are going to be able to prove the properties of the kind and you will don't see what you are going to be able to prove the properties of the kind and you will don't see what you are going to be able to prove the properties of the kind of the provent houng the provent houng the provent hour of the properties of the kind of the provent houng the provent

THE

BONFIRE

will give an added zest to the game. Write and ask for as many dates as she will give you during the holidays and be Johnny on the spot whenever opportunity knocks. To gain back your lost flesh and to be fit for the fray, drink a quart of milk ever day in addition to your three squares. d be Johnny on the spot whenever portunity knocks. To gain back your it flesh and to be fit for the fray, ink a quart of milk ever day in adion to your three squares.

Dear Mrs. Thompson—In order to setal dispute between some friends, in the spot of candy, flowers, or box tionery. Toy, take up the migoining the army with the local ing office or friends who know that the spot of the spot dition to your three squares.

Dear Mrs. Thompson-In order to set-

give it my definition of an ideal

hoose my mother, I would pick out strong and healthy mother. I

start me out in life with a robust body, with steady nerves, and with clean blood, free of any taint of

born of a mother who had exercised as much thought and judgment and

care in selecting my father, as she would in buying a new hat.

I should want a strong and healthy

mother, also, because I should want to be raised in a quiet, peaceful home, and I couldn't hope for that if my

and I couldn't hope for that if my mother was a peevish invalid, with raw nerves, that every little noise irritated to distraction, and who was fretful, and faultfinding, and com-

laining because she was half sick

disease, for I should choose to

would want a mother

mother.

WINCLE WIGGILY BEDTIME STORY UNCLE WIGGILY AND THE WOOD DUCK.

Copyright, 1920, by McClure News-paper Syndicate.)

BY HOWARD R. GARIS,

Wiggliy. "Some of the Wibblewob-ble duck children must be in trou-ble! I'll help them."

other had feathers of red, green, pur

ple, black, brown, blue and yellow, around its head and wings—very beautiful to look at. And it was this

cle Wiggly.
"Oh, one of my legs is caught in a crack in the ice of this pond where

I started to swim." was the answer.

and neither I nor my wife can get t loose."
"I'll help you," offered Uncle Wig-

gily. Then, with his red, white and blue-striped rheumatism crutch, the

bunny gentleman gently broks away the ice from the duck's leg and set

know your name, will be most wel-

So Mr. and Mrs. Wood Duck went

feathers you brought me for my bon-

net!"
"Well-er-you see, Janie," spoke

"Oh, I have plenty of loose feathers for Nurse Jane!" quacked the Wood Duck. "She shall have as many

Then Mrs. Wood Duck, with her

brown bill, picked out some of the

husband's head and wings, and they

were just what Nurse Jane wanted

"Oh! I shall be most stylish at Mrs.

clock doesn't go to sleep

him free.

BY HOWARD R. GARIS.

"Well, I do declare! I can't do a thing with it!" exclaimed Nurse Jane where he heard the quacking call he was not one of the Wibblewobbles, saw not one of the Wibblewobbles, saw not one of the Wibblewobbles,

banister of his hollow stump bunga-low to come to breakfast. low to come to breakfast.
"What is wrong now, Janie?" asked the bunny rabbit gentleman, as he twinkled his pink nose before start-"Can't you do anything with the fire, or is the poker trying to stand on help.
"What is the matter?" asked Un-

"Oh, nothing like that!" Nurse Jane replied with a laugh. "It's a new bonnet I am trimming to go to a half past 4 o'clock tea Mrs. Wibble-

muskrat lady, "It isn't Charlie's fault of course," went on Miss Fuzzy Wuzzy, "It is just that his tail feath-what I shall do. I can not go from what I shall do. I can not go from what I shall do. I can not go from what I shall do. I can not go from what I shall do. I can not go from what I shall do.

will feathers."

"No rooster chap, or bird that I bungalow with me," invited Uncle bungalow of, has all those brightly col-Dear Mrs. Thompson—We are two boys 17 and 22 years of age. 1, Roy, am in love with a pretty little girl. and I want to find out if she loves me or not. And what should I give her for Christmas? 1, Toy, have been thinking of joining the army and want to know what you think about it. What would you advise me to do?

Ask this girl the direct question if

do, Nurse Jane."

"I am Mr. Wood Duck," w
"I am Mr. Wood Duck," w
"I am Mr. Wood Duck," w
answer, "and this lady is Mrs.
Duck. We are strictly An
Wibblewobble's tea with my old bonnet, I guess. Oh dear! And I did
build nests in hollow trees." answer, "and this lady is Mrs. Wood Duck. We are strictly American ducks, and are the only ducks who Uncle Wiggily said nothing, but he made up his mind that he would help Nurse Jane if he could. He finished his breakfast and then started out. want to look a little bit stylish! The weather had been warm, melting is well again. some of the snow, but now it was getting colder again, ready for home with the bunny, and when Nurse Jane saw Uncle Wiggily com-ing, and just caught sight of the Christmas, I suppose. So Uncle Wiggily put on his warmest fur coat and his tall silk hat and started out. beautifully colored head feathers of Mr. Duck the muskrat lady cried "Oh, Wiggy! What beaut

"Going to look for adventures, I suppose," said Nurse Jane, who was trying once more to trim over her old bonnet to make it look fresh and

"Yes, adventuring," answered Un-cle Wiggily. But though he did not a live duck, and—"
"Well—er—you see, dame on a live duck, and—" cle Wiggily. But though he did not tell his muskrat lady housekeeper. he had made up his mind to try and get some bright-colored feathers for her.

The first place Uncle Wiggily

cent store. But though the little loose red, green, brown, golden yel-music girl clerk showed him many low and purple feathers from her feathers from chickens, ducks and geese, none seemed bright enough to suit Nurse Jane "Fil try at the twenty-six and

forty-fleven cent store," thought the bunny. But there it was even worse.
Uncle Wiggily was walking along.
Uncle Wiggily was walking along. Uncle Wiggily was walking wondering how he could help his muskrat lady when, all at once he muskrat lady when, all at once he alarm clock doesn't go tall the orange

Help!"

"My goodness me sakes alive and fast, I'll tell you next about Uncle some sawdust shortcake" cried Uncle Wiggily and Mr. Tip Up.

stayed home with the bunny man and heard the sound of:
"Quack! Quack! Quack! Help!
Help!" forget to call the oranges out of the

achievement.

I should pray the gods to save me from being the child of one of the mothers who are content to have their children clods, if only they remain near them, who will balk a girl's ambition so that she may stay at home and nurse them, or block a boy's career because they can not bear to have him go away from

and sour, and grumpy, and dis-gruntled. There are so many things in life over which one must either home. something of the Spartan in her. A mother who had the courage to see who can laugh whom Fate can never my faults and correct them, a mother who had the strength to hold me to intelligent, a mother who read and who kept up with the times, and mother who wouldn't turn me over to nursemaids and servants to oring up by hand, but who would give me interesting companion. I should who did not shrink from making me do the hard thing when it was the right thing. I would want a mother right thing. I would want a mother who would teach me in my youth to read, and guide my footsteps down the flowery path of literature, and, if I could have frosting on my cake, habits of industry and thrift, would inculcate in me the gospel of efficiency, for thus would she insure

I should wish my mother to be a musician, so that in the evenings there would not only be a group not only be a group who loved me, not blindly, but with seeing eyes. A mother who would perceive my deficiencies and help me around the droplight, but also around I'd hate to belong to one of those families where the home is so dull that nobody stays in it a minute more than they can help, and where everybody has to go to the movies or the theater, or a cabaret to spend strengthen the weak places; a mother who would help me fight my temper if I were possessed of such a devil, who would teach me diplomacy if I were tactiess, who would insorre me to effort if I were a shirker, and I should wish to be the child of shame an ambitious mother. I should wish quitter. shame me into sticking if I were a

A strong woman—a woman strong of body, strong of heart, strong of heart, strong of brain strong of spirit. These are brain, strong of spirit. These are the qualities that I should ask in my mother if I were a baby to whom the gods gave the privilege of pick-

HOROSCOPE SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1920. Copyright, 1920, by the McClure News-paper Syndicate.)

as she needs!"

low and purple

for trimming her bonnet,

This is not a lucky day, according a astrology. The sun and Saturn are oth in majefic aspect. Under this sway it is well to de-ay decisions and all efforts toward by sort of initiative. The stars foreshadow disappoint

The stars foreshadow disappointments to persons ambitious for high place in the government. All the signs seem to indicate surprise owing to the setting of new standards of cheice for important offices.

Persons who seek employment, even though it be in the humblest vocation, should postpone effort.

Loases or wante of public money will be uncovered in the next few months and will cause agitation for lower taxes, the seers prophery. e seers prophesy. There is a sinister star that seem

o presage great interest in all form f speculation. This rule also en ourages gambling. It is probable that contests for It is probable that contests for strength between employers and employers will be more numerous as the winter advances, astrologers announce, and they forstell the establishment of the broadest sort of co-operation. Education continues under the best possible direction of the stars. This means that it will become more practical and will help to solve many national problems, according to those who read the signs.

read the signs. read the signs.

Persons whose birthdate it is should watch the health as well as business during the coming year. Those who are employed should be very diligent. Children born on this day may have many vicissitudes in their lives. They